

FIVE YEARS WRECKS BALL TEAMS; MOST MAJORS GREATLY CHANGED

Comparison of Lineups in Opening Games Five Years Ago With Those of 1916 Shows Two Phillies, No Braves and No Reds Remain of the 1911 Lineup; The American League Also is Greatly Changed.

BY FRANK G. MENKE.

NEW YORK, April 21.—Five years isn't a long stretch of time, yet, in baseball, it has wrought some sweeping changes in the makeup of major league teams.

The other day we dug into the files of 1911 for the lineups of the opening games of that year. In our hunt we found that almost 80 percent of the men who figured in the initial matchups of that season have faded and slipped into the minors or are out of the game, altogether. Only 25 of the 144 men who played in the opening games of 1911 figured in the first battle of 1916.

Not one pitcher of the 15 who worked in the first games of five years ago was accorded a similar honor this season.

Comparing the 1911 and 1916 lineups we found the following:

Only Two Phillies Remain.

Of the men who figured in the 1911 opening game, only two still remain with the club. They are Puckett and Luderus. Stages is with the Braves; Coolan with the Cubs; Doolin with the Giants and Knabe is on the shelf.

Doyle and Markle are the only 1911 opening game Giants who also figured in the 1916 1916 opener. Bridwell, Murray and Devlin have slipped down. Meyers is with the Dodgers, Snodgrass with the Braves and Ames with the Cardinals.

Braves Entirely Changed.

Not one of the men who fought for the Braves in the 1911 opener appeared in the first game of 1916. Of the nine men, only two remain in the majors. Herzog is with the Reds and Goode is with the Cubs.

Reds Entirely Changed.

Jake Daubert and Zack Wheat are the relics of the 1911 first game Dodgers. They figured, too in the first 1916 game.

Tinker and Zimmerman are still with the Cubs. Both worked in the first 1911 game. Zim figured in the 1916 opener—but Tinker was on the bench. Seyer, of the 1911 openers, is with the Braves; so is Ruelbach, Chance, Kling.

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School Sports, Juvenile Sports, Boys' Amateur Sports, and News and Gossip of the "Future Greats."

BY "BECK."

RICHARD PARKS state that the report of their victory over a bank team last week should have shown that their opponents were the City National players, not the First National. "However, we're ready for the First Nationals and can trim them just as well as we did the City National and will take them on any afternoon that is suitable to the First National team," said manager Taylor.

The Golden Hill Tigers want games with the Oakland and Mount Franklin Juniors after school hours. They will play the Olenaders this afternoon. Games with the Tigers can be arranged by calling 7055, and asking for Trust Langston.

The Junior League have organized and want games. They have the following players: William Mayfield, C. Walter Bonita, P. John Stahl, B. Joe McCormick, B. Eugene Smith, B. Dewitt Booth, B. Charles McKemy, B. Joe Wright, C. John Dies, B. The change pitchers are Joe Wright and John Dies.

The Junior League issue a challenge to the Lone Star or any other team in that age class and would particularly like to play some of the Grammar school teams.

The League are preparing for a trip to Las Cruces to play the Las

DUCKPIN LEAGUE OPENED SEASON

The Smelter Duckpin league opened its season Wednesday night, on the Cactus alley, the scores being as follows:

Office	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	Total
C. B. Barrage	54	55	54	54	54	54	54	54	54	54	540
S. B. Baker	54	55	54	54	54	54	54	54	54	54	540
C. F. Kiefer	54	55	54	54	54	54	54	54	54	54	540
H. G. Mateman	54	55	54	54	54	54	54	54	54	54	540

Totals	540	550	540	540	540	540	540	540	540	540	540
J. W. Brownfield	54	55	54	54	54	54	54	54	54	54	540
E. C. Woodburn	54	55	54	54	54	54	54	54	54	54	540
E. K. Kiefer	54	55	54	54	54	54	54	54	54	54	540
R. F. Campbell	54	55	54	54	54	54	54	54	54	54	540

Totals	540	550	540	540	540	540	540	540	540	540	540
J. Smith	54	55	54	54	54	54	54	54	54	54	540
C. N. Anthony	54	55	54	54	54	54	54	54	54	54	540
C. B. Capron	54	55	54	54	54	54	54	54	54	54	540
W. Leisner	54	55	54	54	54	54	54	54	54	54	540

Totals	540	550	540	540	540	540	540	540	540	540	540
Samplings Mill	54	55	54	54	54	54	54	54	54	54	540
Don Dompier	54	55	54	54	54	54	54	54	54	54	540
O. D. Butler	54	55	54	54	54	54	54	54	54	54	540
G. A. Hammett	54	55	54	54	54	54	54	54	54	54	540
G. A. Fenner	54	55	54	54	54	54	54	54	54	54	540

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BY BRIGGS

WESTERN LEAGUE SEASON OPENS

Better Feeling and Larger Crowds are Forecast For Baseball in the West.

Lincoln, Neb., April 20.—The Western league opened today with Wichita at Denver, Topeka at St. Joseph, Sioux City at Lincoln and Omaha at Des Moines.

President Zehrung has appointed umpires Carney and Eckman to officiate at Lincoln, Miller and Andrews at Des Moines, Anderson and Pontin at Denver, and Kane and Ryan at St. Joseph.

Better baseball, better crowds and better feeling among the owners are predicted for the campaign. The coming of peace in the national game has given the Western league clubs, as well as those in other circles, the chance to bolster up weak players and a close race is expected. Much more interest than shown last season is expected by all the clubs. The Western league schedule provides for a season of 154 games and ends Sept. 24.

DENVER AND WICHITA TEAMS PARADE BEFORE GAME

Denver, Colo., April 20.—Denver and Wichita baseball teams were the center of interest in a parade through the downtown streets today, preliminary to the opening here of the 1916 baseball season. The game is to be called at 2:15 p. m. Mayor Hurdley is to pitch the first ball, yielding thereafter to "Doc" Reynolds who is slated to pitch for Denver.

Following a four game series on the local grounds, Denver returns with the Wichita players to their home town where a similar series is to open the season in the Kansas city.

TED LEWIS WINS DECISION FROM ABEL

Chattanooga, Tenn., April 20.—Ted Lewis, the Briton, claimed the welterweight boxing championship of the world, Wednesday night won a decision over Jake Abel, of Chattanooga, after eight rounds of fast fighting.

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"BECK'S" AMEN CORNER

BY "BECK."

ONE New York writer suggests that the name of the Giants be changed to "Giaseds" because, with the exception of the pitchers, McGraw's team is practically composed of ex-Federals.

WESTERN league opens its season this afternoon. Practically all the important minor leagues now have their schedules under way and there are but two or three leagues still waiting the going.

RIO GRANDE league baseball is certain for this season, according to John J. McCloskey, but "Honest John" prefers to give out no details for a few days. The funds for all the clubs have been guaranteed and the drawing of a schedule is now under way. The opening games are likely to be played May 9.

WHEN the soldiers get back from the Mexican campaign—and it now appears that they will be home before long—it is likely that an Army baseball league will again be organized. There is already considerable talk out at Fort Bliss on the subject.

"KID" LEWIS and Jack Britton meet in a 20-round bout for the welterweight title at New Orleans on Wednesday night of next week. Dominick Torturich, the promoter, has offered Paddy McFarland a guarantee of \$10,000 to meet the winner some time in May or June. It is unlikely that Paddy will accept, and it is doubtful if the former lightweight star can scale down that fine.

MAY 16 or 25 will be the opening date for the Rio Grande league this season. Plans for the circuit are maturing nicely.

CONSIDERABLE interest is being shown in the high seniors-faculty baseball game at Rio Grande park on Friday afternoon. The pedagogues declare that it will be real baseball and not a farce and predict that they will wallow the students. Chris Fox was detected speeding his auto the other night as part of his training.

his start on another shutout record, according to his friends. Last year, Alexander had 11 shutouts and only one other pitcher in the history of the National league had a better mark, Jim Galvin, of Pittsburgh, having 12 shutouts in 1884. Alexander pitched 35 no-run games in his first five seasons in the National league, a much better record than that of Walter Johnson.

CHIEF BENDER made his first appearance of the season on the mound at Philadelphia on Wednesday and let the Braves down with one hit in the inning he pitched.

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BASEBALL RESULTS

WEDNESDAY'S GAMES.

League Standings.			
American League.			
Team	W.	L.	Pct.
New York	2	1	.750
Boston	2	2	.715
Chicago	2	2	.625
St. Louis	2	2	.571
Washington	2	2	.500
Philadelphia	2	2	.429
Pittsburgh	2	2	.333
Cleveland	2	2	.286
Philadelphia	2	2	.200
National League.			
Team	W.	L.	Pct.
Philadelphia	2	1	.750
Chicago	2	1	.715
Boston	2	1	.625
St. Louis	2	1	.571
Washington	2	1	.500
Philadelphia	2	1	.429
Pittsburgh	2	1	.333
Cleveland	2	1	.286
Philadelphia	2	1	.200
American Association.			
Team	W.	L.	Pct.
St. Paul	2	1	.750
Indianapolis	2	1	.715
Columbus	2	1	.625
Dayton	2	1	.571
Indianapolis	2	1	.500
Dayton	2	1	.429
Indianapolis	2	1	.333
Dayton	2	1	.286
Indianapolis	2	1	.200
Pacific Coast League.			
Team	W.	L.	Pct.
Los Angeles	2	1	.750
San Francisco	2	1	.715
Oakland	2	1	.625
Portland	2	1	.571
San Francisco	2	1	.500
Oakland	2	1	.429
Portland	2	1	.333
San Francisco	2	1	.286
Oakland	2	1	.200
Texas League.			
Team	W.	L.	Pct.
Waco	2	1	.750
San Antonio	2	1	.715
Fort Worth	2	1	.625
San Antonio	2	1	.571
Fort Worth	2	1	.500
San Antonio	2	1	.429
Fort Worth	2	1	.333
San Antonio	2	1	.286
Fort Worth	2	1	.200
Southern Association.			
Team	W.	L.	Pct.
Nashville	2	1	.750
Memphis	2	1	.715
Mobile	2	1	.625
Montgomery	2	1	.571
Mobile	2	1	.500
Montgomery	2	1	.429
Mobile	2	1	.333
Montgomery	2	1	.286
Mobile	2	1	.200
American League.			
Team	W.	L.	Pct.
At Boston—First Game	2	1	.750
At Boston—Second Game	2	1	.715